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For: COLORING COMPOSITION, INK- )  
JET AND INK-JET RECORDING )  
METHOD )

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed June 12, 2002, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 3 and 15 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please replace claims 1, 5, 6, 10-14 and 17 as follows:

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1. (Amended) An ink-jet ink comprising a coloring composition containing a coloring particulate containing an ionic-group-containing polymer, an oil-soluble dye, and a hydrophobic high-boiling-point organic solvent having a boiling point of at least 150°C, the coloring particulate being dispersed in a water-based medium, wherein the oil-soluble dye is represented by general formula I: